

# MAPLE GROVE

POLICE DEPARTMENT

2015

ANNUAL REPORT





*Maple Grove Police Department  
2015*

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

**In partnership with our growing and diverse community, we are committed to providing the highest level of service through integrity, dedication, and professional policing in order to promote and maintain a safe and secure environment and enhance the quality of life in our community.**

## **VALUES STATEMENT**

### **PROTECTING LIFE AND PROPERTY**

We believe that our fundamental purpose is to protect and preserve the lives and property of those who live, work and visit in our community.

### **ETHICS AND INTEGRITY**

We believe that ethics and integrity are the foundation blocks of public trust and confidence, and that all meaningful relationships are built on these values.

### **EXCELLENCE AND QUALITY IN THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES**

We believe that service to the public is our reason for being, and strive to deliver quality services in a highly professional and responsible manner.

### **RESPECT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL**

We believe that every individual deserves respect and dignity and are ever aware of this value in our dealings with each other and the public we serve.

### **OPEN AND HONEST COMMUNICATION**

We believe that open and honest communication is essential for an informed citizenry and to foster a positive and supportive working environment for employees.

### **COOPERATION AND TEAMWORK**

We believe that the public is best served when employees work cooperatively as a team.

### **PROFESSIONALISM**

We believe that continuous improvement is the mark of professionalism and are committed to applying this principle to the services we provide and to the development of our employees.

### **POSITIVE RELATIONS WITH THE COMMUNITY**

We recognize our interdependent relationship with the community we serve and are continually sensitive to changing community needs.





## MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

August 8, 2016

Honorable Mayor Mark Steffenson  
City Council Members  
City Administrator Heidi Nelson



With the deepest sense of accomplishment and humility, I am honored to present you with the **Maple Grove Police Department 2015 Annual Report** on behalf of the proud men and women of our unique and caring organization. The pages of this document tell our story of each member's commitment and service to the citizens of Maple Grove this past year. We take pride in honoring our mission and agency values to provide the highest level of service to set us apart as a well-respected and professional police agency.

During the past couple of years, a negative undertone toward police has occurred nationwide. As evident through our daily contact with the public, I am confident the citizens of Maple Grove highly regard our agency, its officers, and staff contrary to this national discussion. Because of our commitment to community-oriented and problem-oriented policing, guided by intelligence-led decision making, the members of our agency provide the utmost professional services through partnerships with all members of the community. We as an agency are committed to learning from national events and continue to ensure the highest level of service our citizens are accustomed to as our city grows and changes.

At the beginning of 2015, the police department restructured and created the Professional Standards Division. The new structure and third division has allowed the focused direction and leadership to provide for today's service needs and a foundation for future growth. The formalization of the Safe Streets Unit also illustrates the organization's effectiveness of the restructuring.

For the first time in five years there was an overall increase in the total of Part I and Part II crimes in Maple Grove. As a whole, the number of criminal offenses are at the five year average. The City, in general, has followed trends experienced from the local to national level. Despite such increase, Maple Grove continues to be a very safe community in Minnesota.

The City of Maple Grove, for the third consecutive year, has received national recognition for its National Night Out activities. The 2015 first place award from the National Association of Town Watch is a salient example of the City's commitment and hard work to partner with community organizations, develop strong relationships with our residents, and to build a safe community through community spirit and connectedness.

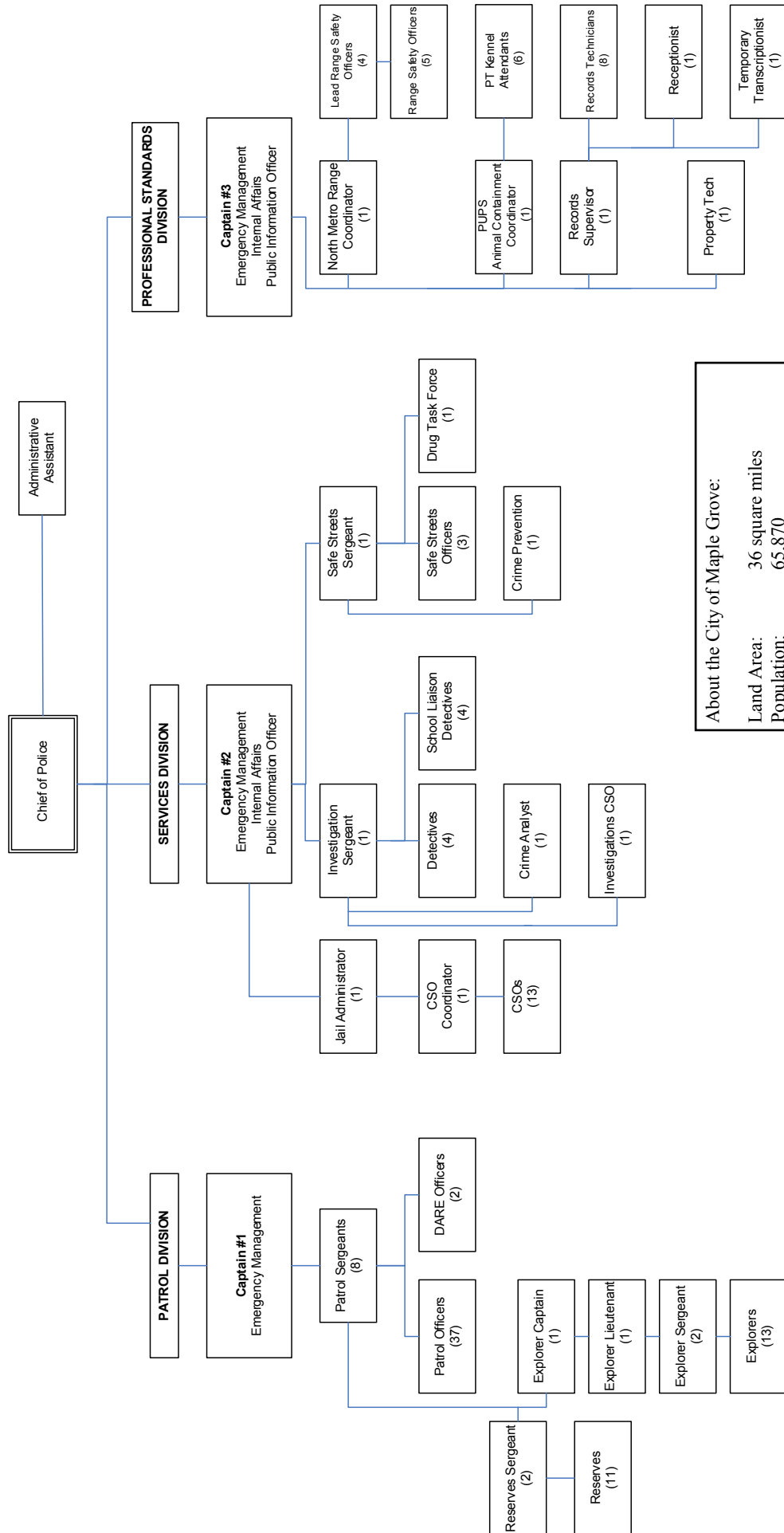
The accomplishments of the police department are only possible through the support and involvement of the City Council and City Administrator. Your continued leadership and investment in our agency help our officers and staff in carrying out their very important work. We are truly committed to assist in building a safe community and maintaining the quality of life our citizens enjoy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric T. Werner".

Eric T. Werner  
Chief of Police

# MAPLE GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART 2015



About the City of Maple Grove:

Land Area: 36 square miles  
 Population: 65,870

City Credit Rating: AAA  
 City General Fund Budget: \$36,150,200  
 Police Department Budget: \$10,849,900

# **MAPLE GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

## **ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES**

### **2015**

#### **HIRED**

Animal Containment Coordinator Cassandra Boser

North Metro Range Coordinator Al Freng

Crime Analyst Mary Cunningham

CSO Snonsio Boye-Weah

CSO Emma DeRoche

CSO Sara Erickson

CSO Brandon Gross

CSO Jonathon Howard

CSO Dmitry Ivanov

CSO Scott Long

CSO Braden McNair

CSO Brent Mickolich

CSO Aaron Roorda

#### **RESIGNATIONS**

Sergeant Kyle Larson

Officer Dave Hendrickson

Officer Joe Theisen

Special Services Crime Analyst Kyleen Crane

CSO Snonsio Boye-Weah

CSO Ryan Ascher

CSO Ryan Kivi

#### **PROMOTIONS**

Sergeant Adam Lindquist to Captain

Officer Jon Wetternach to Sergeant

Officer Andy Sandberg to Sergeant

CSO Mary Kathan to Police Officer

CSO Kristian Williams to Police Officer

CSO Tyler Mollen to Police Officer

CSO Tyler Huso to Police Officer

## 2015 RETIREMENTS



DAVE HENDRICKSON  
POLICE OFFICER



JOE THEISEN  
POLICE OFFICER



KYLE LARSON  
SERGEANT

WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR YEARS OF  
DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF  
MAPLE GROVE.



## Peace Officers Memorial Day—May 15, 2015

“In acknowledging the ultimate sacrifice these officers made, take time to reflect upon the commitment that draws all of us to this profession.”

- Chief Eric Werner, in a message to the department reflecting on Peace Officers Memorial Day

On October 1, 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a law which declared May 15<sup>th</sup> as National Law Enforcement Day. President Kennedy signed this bill to honor and remember fallen officers from across the country. In Minnesota, May 15<sup>th</sup> is dedicated as Peace Officers Memorial Day. Each year, law enforcement officers from around the state gather at the Minnesota Peace Officers Memorial on the State Capitol grounds. These officers volunteer to stand guard around the memorial for 24 hours. At the end of the 24 hours, a candlelight vigil is held.



In 2015, **Chief Eric Werner and Sergeant Rory Hanson**, along with **Officers Tim Erickson, Bill Linquist, Tim Condon, Aaron Valerius and Scott Fillingane** represented the Maple Grove Police Department at the memorial. The officers marched in formation to their assigned areas and relieved the previous detail. The officers assumed the 20 minute guard mount position. Each officer was given a name of a fallen Minnesota Police Officer. After being relieved by the next detail, each officer rang the ceremonial bell, announced the fallen officer's name and then closed with a final salute.

Over the course of the 24 hours, the names of Minnesota's 238 fallen heroes were echoed aloud.

It was a privilege for the officers to be part of this honorable event.

*“On May 15, 2015, I was given the honor of reading Mr. Arendt's name at the Minnesota Law Enforcement Memorial located in St. Paul. Standing guard at the Memorial was one of the greatest honors of my law enforcement career. Although Senior Deputy Arendt is no longer with us, he will always be remembered. May he forever rest in peace knowing that he served with honor and was loved by the community.”*

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*Officer Scott Fillingane  
Maple Grove Police Department  
May 17, 2015*



## SPECIAL RECOGNITION-



Congratulations to **Captain Dan Wills** who graduated from the FBI National Academy 262nd Session.

The Maple Grove Police Department is proud of him in completing this executive-level training along with leaders representing law enforcement agencies from 47 states, the District of Columbia, 27

international countries, four military organizations, and two federal civilian organizations.

Our police department is also very proud of the fact that all four command staff members have now graduated from the FBI National Academy. **Chief Eric Werner** graduated from Session 231, **Captain Keith Terlinden** – Session 243, and **Captain Adam Lindquist** – Session 254. It is very rare for all command staff members from an agency to have been selected and received this type of advanced training.

### FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY — “THE NA”

The National Academy was created in 1935 in response to a study that illustrated the need for standardization and professionalization in law enforcement departments throughout the U.S. Twenty-three students took part in the first training session which included the study of criminal investigation techniques, scientific aids in crime detection, report preparation and administration/organization. Courses in espionage and sabotage were added during World War II.



The current academy offers a comprehensive course of study for law enforcement leaders from the U.S. and abroad. The goal is to elevate standards in law enforcement

and cooperation in police departments and agencies the world over. Invitations to participate are determined by a nominating process and extended to leaders/managers of local police/sheriff's departments from all U.S. states, U.S. territories and over 150 international partner nations. The emphasis is on preparing these leaders for complex contemporary challenges through innovative techniques, superior education/research and a network of partnerships.

Four times yearly, approximately 250 law enforcement leaders attend the academy for 10 weeks taking courses in: law, behavioral science, forensic science, terrorist mindset, communication, health/fitness, and leadership development.



A final, but optional, physical fitness test euphemistically called “The Yellow Brick Road,” is a grueling 6.1-mile run through lowlands, woods, muddy waters and simulated windows, up hills, over walls, under barbed wire and across a cargo net. Those who successfully complete the challenge are awarded an actual yellow brick as a symbol of their accomplishment.

After graduation, participants join FBI National Academy Associates, an organization of over 16,000 law enforcement professionals who strive to improve competency, cooperation and integrity throughout the world law enforcement community.







*Officer Ron Nagy and Chief Jeff Beahen*

On November 10, 2015, at the Rogers City Council Meeting, **Officer Ron Nagy** and other officers from the Corcoran Police Department and the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office were awarded the Meritorious Service Award from Rogers Police Chief Jeff Beahen for their involvement during a mutual aid incident on September 8, 2015.

Chief Beahen stated, "For his exemplary tactical performance and the courage he displayed during his response to this call, Officer Nagy is hereby awarded the Rogers Police Department Meritorious Service Award."



*Officers John Peterson, Steve Durette, Dave Goggins*

*(not pictured: Officer Rob Seidenkranz)*

Maple Grove officers responded to Bass Lake Road/I-494 on a report of an accident on December 18, 2015, which subsequently led to a medical emergency. Our officers performed CPR and assisted with the transport of the victim to the hospital.

**Officers John Peterson, Dave Goggins, Rob Seidenkranz, and Steve Durette** were recognized for their life-saving efforts at a luncheon hosted by North Memorial and victim on May 3, 2016. There they learned, "...the use of your AED brought her back to life and she is now walking out of the hospital as a direct result of your intervention."



# POLAR PLUNGE

On Saturday February 7, 2015, Maple Grove held our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Polar Plunge benefitting Special Olympics Minnesota at Fish Lake Regional Park. 2015 was a banner year for members of our police department taking the plunge. The following officers raised money for Special Olympics Minnesota and then took the plunge into icy cold



**Fish Lake:** *Chief Eric Werner, Captain Dan Wills, Captain Adam Lindquist, Sergeant Travis Pobuda, Officer Matt Brost, Officer Matt Olson, Officer Jeff Albers, Officer Jon Proulx, Officer Angela Sellman, Officer Courtney Struffert, Officer Mary Kathan, Officer Jesse Mathwig, Officer Jon Bueckers, and Police Reserve Officer Galvin.*



The Polar Plunge is truly a community event designed to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics Minnesota. We have assistance coordinating and running our plunge from Maple Grove Public Works, Maple Grove Fire Department, Three Rivers Parks, The Ambassador scholarship program, the Lookout Bar and Grill, and First Student Transportation. We also have a big volunteer

presence on the day of the plunge from our Police Reserves, Explorers, and Community Service Officers who help with traffic control, site security, setup, and teardown of the event.

Because of all these partners, we had 820 hearty souls take the plunge and we raised \$168,000. To date, the Maple Grove Polar Plunge alone has now raised over \$1.1 million for Special Olympics Minnesota.



Special Olympics is an organization dedicated to providing awareness and opportunities for those with intellectual disabilities. Examples of this include sporting and athletic events, healthy athlete initiatives, and programs such as "Spread the word to end the 'R' word." The Maple Grove Police Department is proud to continue to work with our community partners to put together this great event.





## ADMINISTRATION

The Office of Chief of Police is responsible for the overall direction, leadership, and administration of the department resources and carrying out its mission to provide service to the community. In 2015, the office primarily focused on a departmental restructure and the hiring, promotions, and internal transfers of personnel. A few key areas the chief of police focused on were personnel development, prescription drug/heroin abuse prevention and education, policy development, and the year-long planning and preparation for a Records Management System (RMS) and Field Based Reporting (FBR) technology implementation.

## DRUG TAKE-BACK BOX

In July 2015, the Maple Grove Police Department added a 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week drug take-back box in the main lobby of the police department for all Maple Grove residents. This safe, convenient, and secure alternative is in response to the recent national trend of the illegal use of prescription medication across the United States. A recent study indicated that 1 in every 4 teens in America say they have misused or abused a prescription drug and the majority of the prescription medicines are a result of unused medication stored in the home that are taken without the owner's knowledge.



The City of Maple Grove has not been immune from this recent trend and we want to do our part to prevent the availability of unused medication. According to Chief of Police Eric Werner, "The abuse of prescription medication is a problem communities are experiencing in Minnesota and across the country. Our drop box will help reduce the abuse of prescription medication, which is affecting our youth or is commonly seen as a gateway to illegal drug use."

Household prescription medications (including controlled substances), over-the-counter-medicines, vitamins and supplements, and pet medicines will be accepted.

Nearly a half-ton of unwanted medicines were collected during the first five months of the program. The Maple Grove Police Department partnered with the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, the Hennepin County Environment and Energy Department, the Maple Grove Lions Club, and Partnership for Change to bring the drop-off box to Maple Grove!



Partnership  
for Change

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS

The Maple Grove Police Department is committed to the highest quality of service through accountability and transparency. The department's internal affairs function is a system of tracking formal citizen and administrative complaints. The system ensures complaints are thoroughly investigated and documented. Complaints are investigated by selected members of the department's Leadership Team. In 2015, four reports of alleged misconduct were investigated, resulting in the following dispositions:

**Minor Violations:** Six (6) total, 1—*Unfounded*, 2—*Complaints withdrawn*, 3—*Sustained*.

## FACEBOOK

Over 3,800 followers receive timely crime alerts, community safety and crime prevention tips, severe weather postings, notices for extra traffic enforcement efforts, and requests for assistance from the community. Readers also enjoy reading about officer recognitions, community outreach activities, and happenings in and around the Maple Grove Police Department.

Social media is a strong communication and connection tool for the Maple Grove Police Department to reach our community and beyond. **Administrative Assistant Jennifer Olson** continues to strengthen the police department's use of Facebook to assist our outreach efforts by connecting with people within the Maple Grove area as well as with many other communities and states.



## PATROL DIVISION —

When a citizen or visitor contacts the Maple Grove Police Department for assistance, the initial responding police officer is most likely assigned to the Patrol Division. Police officers who are assigned to the Patrol Division perform the investigative duties that pertain to calls-for-service in the City of Maple Grove. These very dedicated officers meet with the reporting person, interview witnesses and suspects, collect evidence, render first aid, effect arrests, enforce criminal and traffic laws, conduct crash investigations, and engage in community-oriented policing.

There are 37 patrol officers assigned to the Patrol Division, split over four shifts, who provide service to our community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Each shift is supervised by one of our eight patrol sergeants. In order to effectively provide coverage throughout the City, our officers are assigned to one of four zones to maximize efficiency and call response time. The four zones are split into our north, central/east, south, and west geographic areas.

Many patrol officers have received specialized training in investigative techniques, narcotics detection and investigation, evidence recovery, police bicycle operation, and Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), which enhances our effectiveness in meeting community needs. Other specialties within the Patrol Division include our Emergency Response Unit (ERU), Bike Patrol Unit, D.A.R.E. program, and other proactive initiatives. Lastly, we have very dedicated volunteers within the division who assume roles in our Police Reserve and Police Explorer programs.

*Captain Dan Wills* led the Patrol Division in 2015.

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS —

In 2015, the Maple Grove Police Department began the development of a domestic violence prevention plan. Domestic violence affects not only the intended victim but also the victim's family, friends, and associates; the repercussions of domestic abuse can be felt throughout a community. The goal of domestic violence prevention is to

promote victim safety and increase victim support for victims of domestic assault, heighten domestic violence prosecution for perpetrators who commit domestic assault, and increase community awareness about domestic violence by educating community members about domestic violence.

The Maple Grove Police Department is utilizing a comprehensive strategy incorporating advocacy, criminal justice, and education to combat the problem of domestic violence. It is our goal that the coordination between these areas will significantly enhance the effectiveness of response to domestic violence.

The Maple Grove Police Department works with Cornerstone, a violence prevention organization, to connect domestic violence victims with victim advocates who can help these victims with housing, counseling, harassment or restraining orders, and navigating the legal system. Officers make contact with Cornerstone and provide preliminary information to the advocates. In some cases, the advocates speak with the victim while the

officer is on scene, other times the contact is made after the fact.



After ensuring that the victim is safe and connecting victims with an advocate, the

police department aggressively investigates the call for service. A domestic violence investigation includes lethality and recidivism assessments, collection of evidence (statements, photographs, medical records), and a review of the abuser's criminal history and probation restrictions. This information is forwarded to the attorney's office for review and charges. In order to successfully prosecute the abusers, officers and detectives work closely with attorneys from the city and county attorney's office.

The final piece of our strategy is community awareness and education. Educating the public on the prevalence and long-reaching effects of domestic violence will hopefully encourage people to take action to end abuse, support survivors, and utilize the available resources.

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE UNIT (ERU)

The Emergency Response Unit (ERU), more commonly known as S.W.A.T., is comprised of three sergeants and eight officers from the department. The ERU members train ten hours per month beyond any other department training that occurs. Members are selected through a letter of interest, interview, physical testing and a firearms qualification. Members are considered on-call and will be called on when needed.



ERU activations are unpredictable. Activation of the team occurs when advanced training and specialized equipment are needed to protect the community. The goal of the ERU is to bring resolution to highly dangerous situations.

In September, ERU trained at Camp Ripley as part of the MTOA's (Metro Tactical Officers Association) yearly training. Each year, tactical teams participate in three days of training utilizing the military's training areas. At the end of the conference, individual and team awards are given by the host team. This year, **Officer Kal Nordby** received the Top Police Sniper award for his outstanding marksmanship. This marks two consecutive years that our ERU team snipers have taken the top award.

## DEFENSIVE AND CONTROL TACTICS TRAINING

According to national statistics provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigations\*, of the 48,315 officers assaulted while performing their duties in 2014, 28.3 percent were injured. These statistics show how often officers are placed in volatile confrontations. The Maple Grove Police Department continues to incorporate creative and innovative tactics into its training program. The training consists of classroom lecture, discussion and feedback,

practical exercises and stimulus-based scenarios. The training program also places an emphasis on de-escalation techniques. Officers are taught to utilize safe approaches, contact and cover tactics, establish effective communication, and use barriers to create distance or lag time, which allows for situational assessment. Many situations are not fluid but rapidly evolving, so officers need to consider many issues such as the severity of the crime, weapon type, immediate threat, a subject's intent, means, opportunity and ability. The training program will also be working in conjunction with officers who are part of specially trained Crisis Intervention Teams. The goal is to educate officers on how to interact and safely deal with persons affected by mental or developmental disabilities or those with histories of drug or alcohol abuse.

*\*Source: Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)*

## DETENTION FACILITY

The Maple Grove Police Department Detention Facility is defined by law as a Class II secure detention facility used



to confine prisoners prior to their appearance in court. Prisoners will not be held in excess of forty-eight hours excluding weekends or holidays and in the case of juveniles not to exceed six hours.

A sergeant is assigned to the Detention Facility as the Jail Administrator who is responsible for operating procedures, and maintaining compliance with the Minnesota Department of Corrections. Our facility consists of one short-term holding cell and eight overnight cells. Our officers and CSO detention monitors ensure subjects in custody are safe while waiting to be released, held for court or transported to a Hennepin County Detention Facility.

In 2015, there were 550 total bookings conducted in our Detention Facility consisting of 374 adult males, 160 adult females, 12 juvenile males and 4 juvenile females.





## FIELD TRAINING OFFICER (FTO) PROGRAM

The Field Training Officer (FTO) program is where every new officer begins their career after being hired. 2015 was another busy year for new officer training. We had three new officers successfully pass field training and move to solo patrol.

New officers start by attending a four-week in-house training academy. The academy is taught by various members of the department. The training starts with policies and procedures, then advances to scenario-based training. This training prepares new officers for the on-the-job training phases.

The new officer is then paired with an FTO for phase training. Phase one starts with observing the FTO. As phase one progresses, the new officer will begin to take over. With each phase, the new officer will take a more primary role leading up to the final evaluation phase. During final evaluation, the FTO wears street clothes, so that primary attention is given to the new officer.

Each phase is comprised of ten patrol shifts. The new officer's performance is critiqued on the requirements for a solo patrol officer. This sometimes can be a difficult concept for new officers, as meeting those standards consistently does not appear until the end of the fourth phase. This is specifically designed to prepare new officers for the complex and sometimes dangerous situations they may encounter during their career.

After completing the training, the new officer will advance to solo patrol. Through the remainder of their first full year, they are assigned a mentor officer. The mentor is an FTO who will spend three partial shifts a month with the new officer. The mentor provides the new officer with a resource to help them remain successful as they continue becoming more proficient at their job.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER (CSO) UNIT

The Maple Grove Police Department currently has thirteen Temporary Seasonal Community Service Officers. Some of the Community Service Officer's duties include:

- Domestic animal control (animals running at large, barking dogs, animal bites, etc.)
- Vehicle lockouts
- Nuisance parking violations (unlicensed, inoperable vehicles, vehicles parked on improper surfaces)
- Select enforcement of City Code and State Statute parking violations (Handicap, Firelane, 2am-6am, 4-Hour Limit, etc.)
- Fingerprinting Maple Grove residents for employment
- Monitoring of prisoners in the Detention Facility
- Dumping/Littering complaints
- Assisting patrol officers with accident control, impounding vehicles, and medical calls
- Helping motorists with vehicle problems
- Taking found bicycle reports
- Delivering City Council, Park Board and other packets
- Delivering court copies of citations to Ridgedale Court
- Returning telephone calls from the general public
- Transporting evidence to the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension Lab, Hennepin County Crime Lab, City Attorney's office, County Attorney's office, and other agencies
- Providing back-up reception desk coverage.
- Assisting with special events such as National Night Out, Maple Grove Days, Maple Grove parades, and Polar Plunge.
- Assisting the Investigations Division by providing an Investigations CSO. The Investigations CSO helps





with items concerning property crime cases, evidence transports, and other special details as they arise.

By performing these duties, Maple Grove Community Service Officers play an important role in saving valuable time for Police Officers. Special training is provided in defensive tactics to aid in safety. CSOs participate in an eight-week field training program before they are able to work on their own.

Requirements to become a Community Service Officer are:

- 18 years of age
- Currently enrolled in a two- or four-year law enforcement or criminal justice program
- Successfully pass an employment background investigation

In 2015, two Community Service Officers went on to become sworn officers with the Maple Grove Police Department. They are ***Community Service Officers Kristian Williams and Tyler Huso.***

## POLICE BICYCLE PATROL

The Maple Grove Police Department Bicycle Patrol program continues to be an active part of our community since 1995. The department's thirty-two certified bike officers work in partnership with the Maple Grove Parks and Recreational Department. This relationship ensures mobile police services for the fourteen established trails systems and over thirty-seven miles of bike paths in the City of Maple Grove. In 2015, the Maple Grove Police Department committed bike officers to an average of 208 hours of physical presence in our parks and path systems for the spring/summer recreational season. In addition, our Police Reserves volunteered for an additional 75 hours of bike service within our parks and at special events for the City.

The Maple Grove Police Department Bicycle Patrol Program partnered again with multiple law enforcement agencies to sponsor a metropolitan training course for new bike officers. This comprehensive course sponsored by International Police Mountain Bike Association (IPMBA) certifies police officers in emergency vehicle operations for bicycles with a focus on patrol procedures, tactics, night operations, scenarios, basic bike maintenance, and on-the-road repairs. Our police bike program has proudly offered this service for over the last ten years, acting as one of the



leaders within the law enforcement community. This training is truly unique within our state and has had attendees to cover the metropolitan area, greater Minnesota and surrounding regional states.

This year we were able to add six new completely outfitted mountain bikes to the current fleet. This was possible due to a generous donation by the Maple Grove Lions to help the program continue to flourish with our City. These positive relationships are hallmarks of our program and help define the overall mission of community service. We look forward to the 2016 year and continuing this tradition of positive outreach.



## MAPLE GROVE POLICE RESERVES

### *“Volunteers Who Make a Difference”*

The Maple Grove Police Reserve Unit is dedicated to providing qualified volunteers to enhance the police department’s ability to provide professional service and increase the quality of life for those living, working and visiting the city of Maple Grove.

Volunteering with the Police Reserve Unit is different than most volunteer experiences. All of the 13 reserve officers have gone through a thorough background investigation, are issued uniforms, duty belts with equipment, and are provided training to prepare them as they go out into the community supporting the police department’s mission.

In 2015, reserve officers volunteered nearly 2,100 hours doing a variety of things throughout the community of Maple Grove and supporting other police departments from the surrounding metro area. Reserve officers are a vital part of making several city events fun and safe for the community including Maple Grove Days, National Night Out, Fall Festival on Main, and the Sleigh Bells and Sparkle Parade.

Outside of the major city events, reserve officers are busy year ‘round. During the school year, officers are attending turkey bingos, D.A.R.E. graduations, high school football games and the seniors’ lock-in graduation party. Between those activities reserves officers support licensed officers’ in-service training, attending monthly training sessions, conduct bike patrol, retail patrols, and support the police department’s community outreach programs.



*Aaron Roorda graduated from the Hennepin County Reserve School on May 21, 2015.*

This year, two reserve officers, **Dale Pitts** and **Timothy Woodbury** marked their seventh year with the reserve unit. Over their seven years of volunteering both have volunteered over 4,000 hours combined. Reserves officers are more than just volunteers. They are a vital part of keeping our community safe and enhance the police department’s connection with the members of our community.



*Debra Sisneros and Daniel Wexlar are our newest reserves who graduated from the Hennepin County Reserve School on November 19, 2015.*

## DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION (D.A.R.E.)



The Maple Grove Drug Abuse Resistance Education – D.A.R.E. is a collaborative effort with schools, Maple Grove Police Department, D.A.R.E. officers, students, parents, City Council, businesses, and the community to educate our youth on the importance of resisting drugs and violence.

### *History of the D.A.R.E. Program in Maple Grove and Community Involvement:*

D.A.R.E. has a long and rich history in Maple Grove dating back over twenty years to 1993 when the program first started with one D.A.R.E. officer. In 1995, through a community partnership, a D.A.R.E. house was built and sold a year later to help fund the program. The proceeds continue to provide funding for our D.A.R.E. program



today. Over the years, the program has continued to grow and we now have two full-time D.A.R.E. officers who are able to devote the majority of their worktime teaching and building positive relationships with the elementary students.

The D.A.R.E. curriculum has been taught to 2nd, 4th, 5th and 6th graders in ten elementary schools, educating approximately 2,800 students each year. The Maple Grove D.A.R.E. program's primary mission is to provide children with the information and skills they need to live drug- and violence-free lives. In part, this is accomplished by providing our students with knowledge on the physical, emotional, social, and legal ramifications of drug abuse. The program equips kids with tools that will enable them to confidently avoid negative influences by teaching them effective communication skills and to focus on their strengths and potential. D.A.R.E. teaches students decision-making, problem-solving skills, provides them with alternatives to drug use, and stresses the importance of choosing healthy friends.

Upon completion of the D.A.R.E. curriculum, students participate in a special community culmination program to recognize the students' accomplishments and their commitment to be drug and violence free.

Each year, the Maple Grove Chief of Police spends time with many of the D.A.R.E. students. Graduating D.A.R.E. students are entered into a grand prize drawing, which is lunch with their D.A.R.E. officer and the Chief of Police at a local restaurant. The grand prize lunch is highly sought after and is enjoyed by all of the winners. After lunch, the D.A.R.E. students go back to the Maple Grove Police Department to tour the department and ask the Chief any additional questions. During this time, the students share stories of their experiences in the D.A.R.E. program and most importantly their goals for the future.

With great support from the Mayor and City Council, the D.A.R.E. program in Maple Grove has and will continue to thrive. An example of that support is the presence of

**Councilmember Karen Jaeger**, who has attended every D.A.R.E. graduation since taking office over 16 years ago.

In 2015, the Maple Grove D.A.R.E. Program received a generous donation from Cub Foods. Their \$50,000 donation has helped to support the purchase of thousands of D.A.R.E. workbooks to be used to help educate elementary students across the state, which has benefited the Maple Grove D.A.R.E. program.

The key to the success of the D.A.R.E. program in Maple Grove is the parents and family members who support the students and their work while they complete the D.A.R.E. curriculum.



2015 Recognition event for Cub Foods' generous donation.

Pictured attendees include (L to R):

Backrow: Councilmember Karen Jaeger, Mike Stigers, President of Cub Foods, Chief of Police Eric Werner, Councilmember LeAnn Sargent, D.A.R.E. Officer Ryan Modeen.



## EXPLORERS

The Maple Grove Police Explorer Post #3775 has continued to grow both as a group and individually in 2015. Our annual “First Nighter” event began in September of 2014. Following that night of recruiting efforts, we welcomed 12 new members to our post, giving us a total of 19 Police Explorers for 2015. Our post rank structure is comprised of **Captain Tyler Sinclair**, **Lieutenant Ashley Jordet**, and **Sergeant Dmitry Ivanov**. We are fortunate to draw youth from Maple Grove High School, Osseo High School, Elk River High School, and Rogers High School, with several additional explorers currently enrolled in PSEO or college courses. We have four very active advisors that have a combined 30 years of police experience. The explorer advisors facilitate the weekly meetings, creating realistic training scenarios designed to teach the explorers various aspects of law enforcement. Some of the topics taught throughout the year include burglary, crime scene investigation, domestic response, hostage negotiations and bomb threat response.

After a season of preparation and hard work, Maple Grove sent two explorer teams to Rochester, Minnesota to compete in the annual state conference against hundreds of other explorers, in numerous events. Their efforts paid off and they earned the following trophies:

- ◆ 3rd Place in Domestic Crisis Intervention
- ◆ 3rd Place in Interview and Interrogation
- ◆ 5th Place in Shooting - Team Aggregate Score

In addition, individual awards were presented to **Troy Hoffarth** (5th Place Shooting - Timed Fire) and **Jake Pawlowski** (4th Place - Sample Police Exam).



While the majority of the post’s time is spent in meetings and preparing them for a career in public safety, we are proud of the work they do in our community. This year the explorers spent hundreds of hours volunteering their time directing traffic, bagging groceries, helping out with the Polar Plunge, National Night Out and Maple Grove Days and acting as role players for various police training.

As always, we thank **Chief Eric Werner**, **Captain Dan Wills**, and **Sergeant Rory Hanson** for their support and dedication to this program. The Explorer Advisors, **Officers Eric Gunderson**, **Kal Nordby**, and **Courtney Struffert**, and **Detective Angela Tschida**, are proud to be a part of such an outstanding group of youth who represent our police department through exceptional leadership and dedicated community service each year.



## CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY —

The Maple Grove Citizens Academy proudly graduated 30 attendees in 2015; one of our largest classes in the history of the academy. The academy continues to be a popular opportunity for citizens who live, work, or go to school in the city and are over the age of 16. The experience allows citizens to get a comprehensive, inside look at the operations of a successful municipal law enforcement agency. Topics covered during the 11-week course include patrol operations, police tactics, touring the Hennepin County Dispatch Center and the Hennepin County Jail, Drug/DWI investigations, D.A.R.E., K9 unit, Crime Lab, ride-along opportunities, and decision-shooting scenarios.

Interested citizens who meet the eligibility requirements can fill out an application at the police department or online at the police department webpage. The Citizens Police Academy usually starts the last Tuesday in





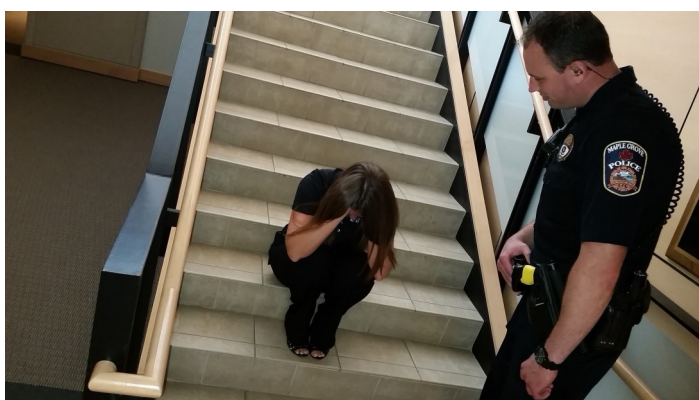
September and goes until mid-December, meeting every Tuesday from 6:30-9:30pm, with some exceptions. Applications are accepted up until a week before the beginning of the academy; however, spots typically fill up quickly.

This is a very rewarding program for both the police department and our citizens who take their time to spend it with us!



*2015 Citizen Academy Graduates*

## CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT)



The Maple Grove Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is a first-responder model of police-based crisis treatment within our community. The CIT program provides effective solutions to promote community relationships, specifically with people in crisis suffering from mental illness. In essence this program provides mental health first aid to people in need, at their first point of contact. The CIT model reduces both stigma and the need for further involvement with the

criminal justice system. This is best accomplished through developed partnerships with the criminal justice system, families of those in crisis and the mental health care system to create environments for sustainable positive change.

The need for CIT trained teams across our state to impact mental illness in the criminal justice system were outlined in a 2015 Legislative Report distributed by the Minnesota Department of Human Services. In this report it was acknowledged that recent findings identified that 1 in 6 people in jail suffer from a serious mental illness. Further studies have also shown that 7 in 10 individuals housed in jail have a co-occurring substance abuse disorder.

In the City of Maple Grove we have witnessed an increase in mental-health-related service calls. These calls range from a variety of crisis events that people may experience. In 2012, of these events we experienced 684 mental-health-related calls, in 2013 the number was 765 calls and in 2014 the number was 785 calls. The 2015 totals had 861 mental-health-related calls for service.

In 2016, we will be sponsoring five specialized 40-hour intense and interactive certification courses. These classes give an in-depth and interactive look at mental illness. This course will have a focus on de-escalation strategies and the multifaceted issues of mental health related calls-for-service. The Maple Grove Police Department currently has 10 serving 40-hour certified CIT trained members and one formal CIT Coach for dedicated continued education. In addition to this specialized training the department will be sponsoring three one-day mental health first aid awareness seminars. All of the licensed police officers within the department will be in attendance along with law enforcement personnel from the area. The department recognizes the need to ensure that all members of our community receive effective service. This ideal can be best summarized within the Maple Grove CIT principals:

- ◆ Improve consumer and officer safety
- ◆ Continued declaration towards positive community relationships
- ◆ Redirect individuals with mental illness from the judicial system to the health care system

## **THE MINNESOTA JUDICIAL BRANCH FOURTH DISTRICT ADULT DWI PROGRAM** —————

In the spring of 2011, the Maple Grove Police Department joined the Hennepin County Adult DWI Court Program in an attempt to increase public safety and reduce the number of deaths and injuries caused by repeat DWI offenders. The Adult DWI Court Team is supervised by a Judge and consists of Prosecution and Defense attorneys, Probation Officers, Law Enforcement, Chemical Health Advisors, Treatment Providers, Victim Advocates, Mental Health Social Workers, DWI Court Coordinator, and Community Volunteers. As part of this program, members of the Maple Grove Police Department assist the team by conducting random and unannounced curfew and sobriety checks on program participants to ensure that the participants are following their court and probation rules.

Program participants voluntarily enter the program with the goal of utilizing enhanced supervision and treatment to work towards a lifestyle that is sober and crime free. While the program provides the supervision and treatment, the participants must help themselves in order to succeed. Individuals in the program must follow three simple rules: 1) Be honest and law abiding, 2) Take ownership, and 3) Show up.

The Adult DWI Court Program is made up of four phases. The first three phases are each at least three months long and take roughly 18 months of intensive participation to complete. The last phase, is two years of administrative probation. After successfully completing the program, participants “graduate” from the program and receive a certificate of completion and are released from active probation.

During each phase the participants are subject to unannounced curfew and sobriety checks by law enforcement or probation and are required to attend court and participate in support groups. They are required to have satisfactory participation in treatment and have satisfactory compliance with probation.

As participants progress through each phase of the program, they incur additional responsibilities. In Phase 2 they are required to seek employment or education, develop a plan to pay for fees and program costs, develop a plan for license reinstatement and ignition interlock, and attend victim impact hearings. In Phase 3 they must complete their

community service or STS, obtain their driver’s license and ignition interlock, and complete payment of fees and other program costs. While some responsibilities increase, the frequency of court appearances and meetings with probation decreases. Upon successful completion of the first three phases and a minimum of 180 consecutive days of abstinence from drugs and alcohol, program participants graduate and move into Phase 4, administrative probation. After completing this phase, participants are discharged from the program.

In addition to increased public safety, a reduction in DWI related deaths and injuries, and an improvement to the participant’s quality of life, DWI court can shift the participant’s perception of the entire legal system. Over time, participants recognize that the entire Adult DWI Court Team is working to help them obtain a more fulfilling life. Because of this, relationships are built and the entire community benefits.

Since joining this effort the Maple Grove Police Department has assisted 11 individuals in this program.

## **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT** —————

Despite its status as a vibrant suburb with a human population over 50,000, Maple Grove continues to host a thriving wildlife population. Deer, geese, turkeys, and coyotes are just a handful of the species that call various parts of the city home.

The police department aims to monitor the populations of these species and the effects they have on the residents of Maple Grove. The management practice includes overseeing organized and controlled hunts to maintain animal populations appropriate for the available habitat. Without these practices, there would likely be a greater number of negative interactions with the wildlife population, such as car vs. deer accidents, damage to gardens and lawns, and starvation of animals due to lack of adequate food sources.

### **AERIAL COUNT**

As often as each winter, the police department attempts to get an estimate of the number of deer in Maple Grove by using helicopter flyovers of certain areas of the city. To save on cost, the police department partners with the Three Rivers Park District and other area police departments to conduct counts in several jurisdictions on one day. The

areas surveyed are typically areas of woodlands and heavily wooded neighborhoods, lowland grassy areas and swamps, parks, perimeters of lakes, and areas where the police department has received complaints of too many deer.

The weather of the late winter months of 2015 did not provide favorable conditions for a deer count, as there was a lack of adequate snow cover (the white snow cover makes it possible to spot deer from the air), so no aerial count took place in 2015. The 2014 aerial count revealed 145 deer in the city, not including the Three Rivers Park District's Elm Creek Park Reserve. In recent years, the number of counted deer has varied between 50 and 145 deer in areas totaling roughly 5 square miles of habitat.

## POPULATION CONTROL

Using recent aerial counts and a post-fawn factor to estimate the population after fawns are born in the spring (adding 20% to the count and then adding 70% to that number for fawns born in the spring), the total population in the areas surveyed has been estimated to be between 102 and 295 deer in recent years. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources recommends 12-15 deer per square mile of quality habitat, meaning the areas surveyed should host only 60-75 deer. Several factors impact the population numbers from year to year, including birth rates, weather variances, availability of food sources, and car vs. deer accidents. In 2015, there was a total of 39 car vs. deer accidents reported to police in Maple Grove, resulting in tens of thousands of dollars in vehicle damage and two injuries to persons.

## DEER HUNTING BY ARCHERY

The police department aims to help control the population in a humane manner by utilizing controlled archery hunting in specific areas of the city deemed to be safe and inconspicuous. This has proven to be a reliable method to impact the deer population while also providing a highly valued recreational activity for those who participate in the hunt. Landowners in the designated areas of the city have the discretion to grant permission to individuals who wish to hunt on their property.

Additionally, the City of Maple Grove allows hunters in the Capable Partners program to hunt on specially designated parcels of city-owned land. Capable Partners is a highly regarded organization dedicated to providing outdoor opportunities to the physically challenged with the assistance of able-bodied hunting partners.

In 2015, archery hunters reported harvesting a total of 23 deer during the Minnesota archery season. There were no reports of any hunting violations or safety concerns.

## TURKEY HUNTING BY ARCHERY

The wild turkey population in Maple Grove has increased significantly in recent years, as evidenced by sightings throughout the city. Turkey hunting by archery is allowed during the spring and fall turkey hunt seasons set by the Minnesota DNR in the same areas of the city where deer hunting is permitted. This activity is not as popular with hunters, as only two turkeys were harvested in 2015.

## GOOSE HUNTING

Residents of the city often note that there is an overabundance of geese in many areas, and geese often leave behind droppings and cause damage to vegetation. Geese may sometimes display aggressive behaviors, including hissing at and chasing people who come too close to juvenile geese. Goose hunting by shotgun is limited to certain areas, mainly in the northwest area of the city, but the impact of these hunts is noted in all areas of the city as geese frequently fly from area to area within the city. Goose hunters reported harvesting 393 geese in 2015, also with no reports of any hunting violations or safety concerns.

## WILDLIFE FEEDING BAN

In 2007, Maple Grove enacted a wild animal feeding ordinance, Sec. 6-20 (below). The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the community from the problems associated with the feeding of wild animals. Adherence to this ordinance will greatly assist with keeping our wildlife population under control.

### *Sec. 6-20. - Wild animal feeding prohibitions.*

*(1) Prohibition. No person shall feed or allow the feeding of any wild animal within any area of the city. For the purpose of this section, feeding shall mean provision of one-cubic foot or more of grain, fruit, vegetables, nuts, hay or other edible material, either on the ground or at a height of less than five feet above the ground, in a manner that attracts wild animals on a regular basis. Living food sources, such as fruit trees and other live vegetation, shall not be considered as feed.*

*(2) Exceptions. This prohibition shall not apply to veterinarians, city animal control officers, or city, county state, or federal game officials who are in the course of their duties.*



## SERVICES DIVISION —

The Services Division provides operational support to all aspects of the Maple Grove Police Department. The division consists of the following: Investigation Unit that includes a sergeant, four general detectives and four detectives assigned as our school liaisons; Safe Streets Unit that includes a sergeant and three safe street officers, drug task force detective, crime analyst, crime prevention officer, jail administrator, lead community service officer coordinator, 14 part-time community service officers and a part-time investigative community service officer. In total, this division has 19 full-time employees and 15 part-time employees. In this division employees perform a wide variety of duties to include but not limited to: criminal investigations, proactive street-crime initiatives, crime analysis, animal control, city ordinance enforcement, crime prevention programs and community outreaches. **Captain Adam Lindquist** led the Services Division in 2015.

## INVESTIGATIONS —

The Maple Grove Police Department Investigations Unit is currently comprised of four detectives, four school liaison resource officers, one crime analyst, one investigative community service officer, and one sergeant who supervises the unit. Detectives within the investigations division are classified as general investigators. The detectives are required to be proficient in all areas of criminal investigations. The school resource officers are focused primarily on being a visible presence in the schools and handling issues that may arise during the school day. When school is not in session they take on their own full caseload and conduct their own investigations.

2015 proved to be yet another year of change and growth in the investigations division. Of the ten civilian and sworn staff under the supervision of **Sergeant Tom Engels** during the year, there were eight positions that were left vacant and subsequently filled. **Detective Jon Wetternach** (general investigations) and **Detective Andy Sandberg** (Osseo Middle School resource officer) were both promoted to sergeant in 2015, being replaced by **Detective Missy Parker** (formerly assigned school resource officer to Maple Grove Middle School) and **Officer Angela Tschida**. **Officer Kathy Hoeke** filled the vacancy left at Maple Grove Middle School by Detective Parker. In addition, **Officer Grant Smith** and **Officer Ryan Modeen** filled the positions at Osseo Senior High School and Osseo Middle School, respectively. **Crime Analyst Kyleen Crane** resigned in

December of 2015 and she was replaced by former FBI Crime Analyst **Mary Cunningham** in late December. The only detectives in the unit who remained in the positions they held at the end of 2014 were **Detective Jason Heilman**, **Detective Laurel Slawson**, and Maple Grove Senior High **School Resource Officer Jon Proulx**.

The detectives in the unit continue to work with those inside our agency which include: Crime Analyst, Investigative CSO, Safe Streets and Patrol, along with those outside our agency which include: Hennepin County Crime Lab, MN BCA, Adult Protection, Child Protection, CornerHouse Forensic Interview Services, Cornerstone Domestic Abuse Services, ATF, Hennepin County Medical Examiner, the ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) Task Force, Computer Forensic Services and the FBI among many others.

The unit has been busy this year with a wide variety of complex cases ending in numerous convictions. Some of this year's significant cases which involved an extraordinary amount of teamwork included the financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult which resulted in a several-count conviction and significant restitution owed to the victims. An investigation into the death of an infant that was reported in Maple Grove and eventually led to the case being charged by Brooklyn Park Police, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree attempted murder case involving two parties who had been shot outside of the AMC movie theater. Through the diligent work and cooperation of the Patrol Unit, Investigations Unit, Safe Streets unit, and the Anoka-Hennepin Narcotics and Violent Crimes Task Force the suspects involved were quickly apprehended and have been adjudicated.

As criminal enterprises evolve and technology continues to grow, detectives tasked with investigating these crimes have been required to change and adapt to this technology. As a result, detectives have made it a priority to attend training to this effect. This has included specialized training involving Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC), "Safe Harbor" Sex Trafficking training, and training on Social Media & Cell Phone Technology among many others.

## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS —

The Osseo Area School District 279 educators have a compelling interest in maintaining a safe and effective learning environment as a part of the total strategy of achieving the educational mission. The modern range of foreseeable misconduct by students and others on our



middle school and high school campuses makes a clear relationship with the Maple Grove Police Department essential. The presence of the school resource officers as a result of their law enforcement activities and day-to-day visibility and interaction with students and staff continued to support a safe and orderly environment in 2015.

The partnership between District 279 and the Maple Grove Police Department has continued to be a proven success in 2015; our four school resource officers utilize their law enforcement expertise and experience to compliment the educational mission by establishing order and quickly responding to threats. Maple Grove Resource Officers have specialized knowledge in investigative techniques, search-and-seizure procedures, weapons neutralization and facilities security which make them the preferred personnel for addressing safety threats in our schools. The resource officers serve as an information-sharing link between law enforcement, juvenile justice agencies, social services, and educators. The resource officers continued classroom presentations in 2015 on internet safety, bullying, resolving conflict, and law enforcement careers. Maple Grove partnered again this year with area K-9 programs to conduct locker searches. All four resource officers also continue to play an active role on their school safety committees which facilitate planned safety drills.

In 2015, there were some changes in the liaison positions. Our current team is comprised of:

- **Detective Jon Proulx** – Maple Grove Senior High School
- **Detective Grant Smith** – Osseo Senior High School
- **Detective Kathy Hoeke** – Maple Grove Middle School
- **Detective Ryan Modeen** – Osseo Middle School

Beginning with the 2015-16 school year the School Board approved a plan to change grade spans in a way that would avoid school boundary changes caused by grade configuration. The plan has relocated 6<sup>th</sup> grade to the now middle schools replacing the junior high model and 9<sup>th</sup> grade to high schools. As a result, enrollment numbers drastically increased at the high schools reflecting the following estimated enrollment numbers:

- **Maple Grove Senior High School - 2,274 Students** from 1,650 students in 2014.
- **Osseo Senior High School – 1,933 students** from 1,495 students in 2014.
- **Maple Grove Middle School – 1,653 students** from 1,630 students in 2014.
- **Osseo Middle School – 1,031 students** from 1,100 students in 2014.

The school resource officers are responsible for serving and protecting the secondary school community now comprised of approximately **6,891 students** which reflects the increase in calls-for-service in the secondary schools from **236 in 2014 to 409 in 2015, a 58% increase.**

In 2015, the Maple Grove School Resource Officers remain a part of the investigative division as they also handle general investigations with an emphasis on cases involving students attending their assigned school. This program design has been found to reduce the workload of patrol officers which includes preventing problems that would escalate to 911 calls from schools. Our model continues to improve law enforcement's reputation with juveniles in our city which leads to increased crime reporting, creating and maintaining better relationships with schools, and enhancing the Maple Grove Police Department's reputation in the community.

## SAFE STREETS

The mission of officers assigned to the Safe Streets Unit (SSU) is to disrupt and prevent dangerous street-level crime activity within the City of Maple Grove to provide a safe and secure environment for the citizens' highest quality of life. SSU, formed in 2007, combats narcotics crimes, prostitution crimes, targeted traffic enforcement, organized retail crimes and other quality of life issues as they arise. This is accomplished utilizing Intelligence-Led Policing concepts, building strong relationships, and collaboration among units within and outside of the Maple Grove Police Department, to maximize success. Another pillar of the SSU's operation is achieving strong relationships with community leaders in order to build trust and encourage open channels of communication in order to most effectively combat street-level crimes.

Officers work in both a uniform and plain clothes capacity, including in an undercover capacity, depending on the mission. They remain up-to-date on the latest available training, including vice, narcotics, and informant management. In 2015, the members of SSU attended a total of over 700 hours of training.



SSU is an active member of the Twin Cities Organized Retail Crime Association (TCORCA). TCORCA was established in 2014 by a group of dedicated law enforcement, crime analysts, corporate fraud and loss prevention investigators, and

prosecutors, to collaboratively combat retail crime. As Maple Grove has a very large retail sector, this association fits well within the SSU mission.

In addition to “crime fighting,” SSU performs additional duties, including alcohol/tobacco compliance checks, participation in the Place of Last Drink (POLD) program, Citizens Police Academy, and assisting in any other capacity as needed to fulfill the mission of the police department.

2015 was an exciting and productive year for SSU. As a fully staffed unit, including three officers and a dedicated supervisor, the unit accomplished many important milestones. Some of the statistical highlights of the unit included:

- ◆ 422 Traffic stops
- ◆ 133 Traffic citations
- ◆ 146 Arrests
- ◆ 38 Drug citations
- ◆ 32 Search warrants (Residential & Administrative)
- ◆ 115 Grams of marijuana seized
- ◆ 24 Grams of heroin seized
- ◆ 12 Undercover operations
- ◆ 61 Criminal cases charged
- ◆ \$11,375 Seized U.S. Currency (Drug & Prostitution Proceeds)
- ◆ 700+ hours of continuing education

From November 27 to December 23, 2015, SSU conducted the second annual Holiday Retail Crime Initiative, with a focus on organized retail crime. The goal of this initiative is to eliminate retail crime with an emphasis on strict enforcement and community partnerships in order to promote a safe and secure environment for our citizens and visitors to conduct commerce over the holidays. This initiative included community outreach with local retailers, education via meetings and newsletters, and proactive enforcement activity. A positive outcome was achieved with not only a substantial number of arrests and citations, but with a strong deterrence effect as evidenced by a reduction of retail crime calls-for-service from 2014 through 2015, for a similar time period.

## TOWARD ZERO DEATHS (TZD) TRAFFIC GRANT PROGRAM —

A top priority for the Maple Grove Police Department is traffic safety and reducing accidents in the city. Maple



Grove Police in conjunction with Minnetonka and Plymouth Police are proud participants in federally funded Toward Zero Deaths grant program. The Toward Zero Deaths Enforcement grant program provides federal funds to law enforcement agencies to conduct enhanced traffic enforcement with the goal of reducing the number of fatalities and serious injuries on our roadways.

Our objective as a part of this initiative is to enforce violations and educate the public to ensure the safety of all motorists residing or passing through our city. The Maple Grove Police Department engages in collaborative enforcement targeting traffic safety concerns including:

- Distracted Driving
- Impaired Driving
- Move Over Law
- Seatbelt and Child Seat Usage
- Speeding

In 2015, Maple Grove Officers worked 575.5 hours of TZD Grant overtime, stopping a total of 1,081 vehicles. Officers issued 312 citations and took 21 people into custody for different offenses as a result of these traffic enforcement efforts.

For fiscal year 2015, the Maple Grove Police Department was the grant administrating agency for the cities of Plymouth, Wayzata and Maple Grove. **Officer Eric Gunderson**, Maple Grove Police Department was the primary person in charge of grant monies received for TZD enforcement in 2015. **Officer Gunderson** assigned hours available to each of the three agencies and, working with the city finance department, dispersed grant monies to each city.

## ANOKA-HENNEPIN NARCOTICS AND VIOLENT CRIMES TASK FORCE —



The Anoka-Hennepin Narcotics and Violent Crimes Task Force (AHNVCTF) was organized in 1989.

The AHNVTCTF is comprised of officers and deputies from the Anoka, Blaine, Champlin, Columbia Heights, Coon Rapids, Fridley, and Maple Grove Police Departments, along with the Anoka County Sheriff's Office. The current team leaders for the task force are from the Anoka County Sheriff's Office and Blaine Police Department. When funding is available, the AHNVTCTF is assigned an analyst from the Minnesota National Guard Counter Drug Task Force.

In 2015, the AHNVTCTF executed 196 search warrants and made 205 arrests. They handled 760 new cases, 527 which were in-custody cases. Of the new cases, 267 were cleared by arrest (complaints issued).

In the summer of 2015, Maple Grove police responded to a local movie theater on a report of a shooting, finding two gunshot victims. Within 48 hours of the incident, two suspects were arrested in a multi-jurisdictional effort involving Maple Grove investigators, Maple Grove Safe Streets Unit and the AHNVTCTF. From this investigation spun off a drug investigation resulting in arrests and charges for felony possession of narcotics.

During the course of 2015, the AHNVTCTF conducted a large-scale heroin operation resulting in the arrest of a man considered one of the largest heroin distributors in Minnesota. A large quantity of heroin was seized as well as \$349,130 from a storage locker. The suspect had addresses listed in both Brooklyn Park and Maple Grove.

The AHNVTCTF has been a helpful resource for the Maple Grove Safe Streets Unit, assisting on numerous drug search warrants and operations. Their expertise in surveillance and undercover operations was also utilized numerous

## 2015 Seizure Data

Seizures	2013	2014	2015
Cash	\$422,865	\$70,475	\$422,911
Cocaine (grams)	339	144	359
Crack (grams)	418	20	0
Ecstasy (doses)	124	42	0
MJ Wax (grams)	0	0	0
Heroin	75	136	254
LSD/Acid (hits)	10	151	51
Marijuana (grams)	38,668	22,201	44,504
Methamphetamine (grams)	2,005	3,225	6,550
Marijuana Grow (Plants)	215	86	30
Marijuana Synthetic (grams)	16	85	31
Morphine (tabs)	6	47	0
Mushrooms (grams)	280	526	221
Oxycodone (doses)	645	188	64
Prescription (doses)	679	1,380	644
Steroids (doses)	0	9	0
Vehicles	10	6	3
Weapons (guns)	58	43	15

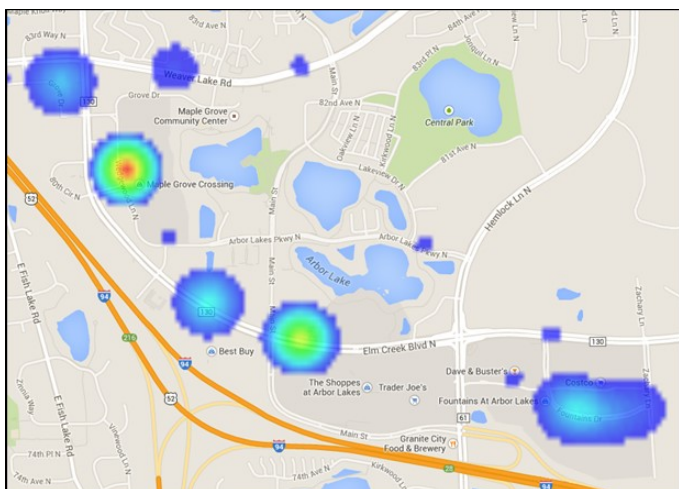
times during the year during vice operations in the City. The AHNVTCTF is commonly called upon to assist other jurisdictions for operations involving the search for suspects of homicides, bank robberies, and abductions.

In addition to conducting proactive investigations, the AHNVTCTF also strongly stresses community education. A total of 15 presentations were made to various citizen groups with a total attendance of 735 people. The AHNVTCTF places great emphasis on training, with detectives attending a total of 79 trainings for a total of 821 hours.

## CRIME ANALYST

The Maple Grove Police Department had a change in the Crime and Intelligence position as **Crime Analyst Kyleen Crane** resigned in December of 2015 and she was replaced by **Mary Cunningham**, bringing prior experience from the Minneapolis Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The Crime and Intelligence Analyst supports a number of department functions, including patrol deployment, special operations, investigations, planning and research, crime prevention and administrative services. The Crime and Intelligence Analyst reviews, monitors and analyzes crime in Maple Grove, identifying crime patterns and trends. The Crime and Intelligence Analyst uses a variety of resources, such as public records, records management databases, calls for service, the Automated Pawn System (APS), social media, independent crime analysis software, and intelligence from outside agencies to target and profile investigative leads. Utilizing crime maps, incident report data, and informational bulletins, the Crime and Intelligence Analyst communicates findings with the department, as well as with other local, state, and federal agencies, with the ultimate goal of increasing the effectiveness of the department and the response to crime.



In order to keep all levels of staff informed, in the timeliest manner possible, the Crime and Intelligence Analyst utilizes electronic and direct presentation methods to push out and share information internally. Critical information is shared with all sworn employees through our E-roll call system that can be accessed by any city computer to include the patrol cars. If new information is learned by another employee, that information is added to the post so all users are up to date on the most current information. Another method used is through power point slides that

highlight certain crime patterns, trends or safety issues that require further attention. This information is accessible to all sworn employees; however, the Crime and Intelligence Analyst will also personally present this material monthly, to the police leadership group. This presentation allows for more in-depth discussion at a supervisor level and leads to problem-solving implementation to affected areas.



The Crime and Intelligence Analyst utilizes ATACRAIDS, which is specifically designed for law enforcement users to identify crime patterns, areas of high activity, repeat calls for service addresses, as well as traffic accident locations. An example of a “Heat Map” is included on this page to demonstrate how patrol efforts can be implemented toward focused areas based on trends and patterns. RAIDS Online also has a public crime map that connects law enforcement with the community and assists the public in obtaining information in regards to criminal activity in their neighborhood. The public can access this mapping tool by simply logging on to the police department web page, selecting Crime Alerts and Crime Maps and choosing the RAIDSONLINE link.

## CRIME PREVENTION

The Maple Grove Police Department’s Crime Prevention Officer works closely with police department employees as well as the public to help in the fight against crime. With programs like National Night Out, Neighborhood Watch, and Crime Free Multi-Housing it has worked to make our community stronger and more educated about crime prevention tactics.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Neighborhood Watch is a cooperative effort between the police department and an individual neighborhood to help make your neighborhood a safer place to live, but to also help promote communication between individual neighborhoods and the police department. Neighborhood Watch Captains and Co-Captains are the link between their organized neighborhood and the police department to help share information both ways. No one person or law



enforcement agency can be aware of every situation that occurs in all neighborhoods at all times. This is why an organized neighborhood is the best defense against crime.

This year, the Maple Grove Police Department hosted its first ever joint meeting with National Night Out coordinators and Neighborhood Watch Captains & Co-Captains. This meeting was held just before National Night Out took place and it allowed coordinators and captains the opportunity to have a one-on-one meeting with the Chief of Police and other police department staff. The Chief presented a variety of information to the attendees about department activity, crime trends, and future programs for the police department. This meeting gave National Night Out coordinators and Neighborhood Watch Captains & Co-Captains the chance to meet with the Chief of Police and receive pertinent information that they could then take back and share with their neighbors.



**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**  
2015

POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

**KICK OFF PARTY!**

Tuesday, August 4, 2015 11:00am - 1:00pm  
Maple Grove Community Center - Lions Pavilion  
12951 Weaver Lake Road, Maple Grove

Join us for lunch.....the Chief is grilling!

Get the chance to sink a cop in the dunk tank  
All proceeds from Dunk Tank donated to Beyond the Yellow Ribbon!

**Some of the Kick Off activities will include:**

- Free hotdog lunch, chips & drinks
- Maple Grove Fire truck tours
- Maple Grove Police squad car tours
- North Memorial Ambulance
- Hennepin County Sheriff's Office
- Three Rivers Police squad tours
- Minnesota State Patrol & DNR
- Face Painting & Balloon Artist
- American Red Cross of MN
- Search and Rescue Dogs
- Crime Prevention informational materials and handouts
- Officers available for questions
- Free fun hair styling
- Food and School supply drive (please bring donations)

**Everyone is welcome! Come and join the fun!**  
Kick Off Event sponsored by Maple Grove Police, Fire, and Target

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out is known as “America’s Night Out Against Crime” and is held each year on the first Tuesday in August. One of the goals of National Night Out is to strengthen the bonds between individual neighborhoods and

the police department and it certainly has given us the opportunity to bring our residents and officers together under positive circumstances. Each year, our Chief of Police, Police Captains, Sergeants, multiple officers as well as the Mayor, City Council, and City Administrator participate in National Night Out. We “Kick Off” our National Night Out activities at the Maple Grove Community Center with a free BBQ lunch, emergency equipment show, and have many vendors present to offer educational and informative materials for participants. We also go out to visit more than 150 registered block parties in the

evening. In 2015, the Maple Grove Police Department received a national award for placing **1<sup>st</sup> place** in our population group throughout the country.

## CRIME FREE MULTI-HOUSING

Crime Free Multi-Housing is an ordinance that provides a partnership between the Police Department and rental property owners and managers to provide a safer environment and help reduce crime and nuisance issues at rental properties. This ordinance requires property owners and agents to complete background checks on prospective tenants, incorporate a crime-free, drug-free lease addendum, and maintain a register of tenants who live at their properties. Property owners and agents may also be required to attend a rental owner education program which helps to teach landlords about applicant screening, legal issues, fair housing, licensing and inspections, crime prevention, and more. The Police Department also offers a free automatic landlord alert system that allows property owners to be notified via email of certain police activity at their rental properties. This voluntary system helps to keep property owners aware of police activity at their rental properties and conduct follow up when they feel it is necessary.

## OTHER SERVICES

Other public service activities offered by our Crime Prevention Officer include child safety-seat inspections and residential premise surveys.

Child safety-seat inspections are conducted several times each month with an average of 100 car seats being inspected on a yearly basis. Our Crime Prevention Officer also works with North Memorial Injury Prevention to host several car seat clinics in Maple Grove each year. This service helps to teach parents how to properly install their child passenger restraints in their vehicles in order to help keep their children as safe as possible when in a motor vehicle.

Residential premise surveys are conducted on a one-on-one basis between our Crime Prevention Officer and residents throughout the city. During these surveys our Crime Prevention Officer can point out potential weaknesses or physical security flaws in residential dwellings and offer suggestions or tips to help reduce the likelihood of becoming the victim of a residential burglary or other property crimes.



## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS DIVISION-

The Professional Standards Division is a newly established division that was created with the addition of a third police captain and it includes the Records Management Unit, Property and Evidence Unit, North Metro Range, Pets Under Police Security (PUPS), training, and policy development. With the creation of the Professional Standards Division, there has been a tremendous amount of change to include the hiring of *Al Freng as the North Metro Range Manager* and *Cassandra Boser as the PUPS Coordinator*. Al and Cassandra have done a tremendous job learning their new roles and they have been instrumental in operations of both facilities.

The Records Management Division remains the catalysis of our case workflow with all units in the Maple Grove Police Department. Along with their normal data entry duties, the records staff has been instrumental in the development of our new Records Management System that became operational January 2016. We currently operate by using paper police reports from the 1990s. However, under the new system our workflow will become paperless, allowing instant access to timely data. We are sure this change will bring about new challenges but we are eager to reap the benefits of immediate electronic data that can be used for crime fighting.

The *Property and Evidence Technician, Mark Ryan*, continues to be one of the industry leaders in the field. Mark has worked diligently in keeping our property and evidence procedures up-to-date, which was evident again this year during our property room audit. Mark has worked with our property and evidence software company in the development of their new product to increase the performance of our handling of each piece of property.

The Professional Standards Division was led by *Captain Keith Terlinden* in 2015.

## PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE —

The role of the Property and Evidence Technician is to maintain the chain of custody for all evidentiary items submitted. The chain-of-custody starts with the submitting officer. The Property and Evidence Technician is responsible for documenting the intake, storage, security,

release, and disposal of all submitted items. Some evidence is routed to the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab or the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension Crime Lab. The Property and Evidence Technician is also responsible for the coordination and documentation of the movement of items to and from officers, other agencies, court, and records management staff. Additionally, the Property and Evidence Technician is responsible for maintenance of operations pursuant to all federal and state laws, established standards and regulations, including routine inventories and audits.

In 2015, 5,287 items were entered into property and evidence while 934 items were eliminated. The total number of property and evidence transactions in 2015 was 9,852 for an average of 41.79 transactions per work day down from 63.01 in 2014. The downturn in transactions per day compared to 2014 can be directly attributed to ancillary projects taken on by the Evidence Technician during the year which took away from time ordinarily spent eliminating items. There were 1,821 cases with physical evidence associated with them during 2015, an average of 2.9 items per case.

## RECORDS MANAGEMENT —



The Records Management Unit, supervised by *Sue Setter*, is comprised of non-sworn personnel. The unit members consist of a full-time Police Receptionist, seven full-time Records Technicians, two part-time Records Management Technicians, and a transcriptionist. The Records Unit staff directly report to the Records Management Supervisor.

The records management staff performs a variety of functions to include transcribing police officers' detailed accounts of reported incidents, accessing various data bases, and the collection of information from additional law enforcement sources. A sample of information sources include criminal history files, driver's license history, internal records management query, probation information, or agency booking information.

Records Management Technicians play an essential role in the case management and preparation for the investigations

unit. The records staff will organize and electronically prepare supplemental reports, statements, and all related documents for submission to the City or County Attorney's Office.

Records Management Technicians ensure police report data is accurately identified and properly coded to meet state and federal Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) requirements. Data is retrieved for statistical reporting, internal and external law enforcement needs, and public data requests. All data requests are reviewed and released in accordance with the Minnesota Data Privacy Act.

State Statute or City Code require background checks for numerous business and regulatory licensing to include, but not limited to: adoption, foster care, liquor/tobacco licenses, solicitor permits, and permits to acquire handguns are examples needing such background checks. Records unit staff dedicates a significant amount of time to compile data to ensure thorough background reports are completed.

## PETS UNDER POLICE SECURITY (PUPS)

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Pets Under Police Security (PUPS) is the animal holding facility for Maple Grove pets, as well as pets from Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, Crystal, New Hope and Plymouth. All pets that come into the facility must be brought in by an officer from one of the aforementioned cities; we are unable to take in any pets from the public. The animals are cared for by **Cassandra Boser, the Animal Containment Coordinator**, along with the help of the part-time kennel attendants.

Stray pets are brought to the PUPS facility and held for five business days, which is required by state law, to give the owners a chance to claim them. This also applies to pets that are found deceased. There are a variety of other reasons that a pet may come to PUPS, including being held for a 10-day bite quarantine and cruelty or neglect seizures. In order for us to release a pet, the owner must present to us the paperwork from the impounding city.

If an owner does not come forward during the hold period, the pet will be made available for transfer to an approved rescue organization. The organization will have all medical needs of the pet addressed, including routine procedures like vaccines and spay/neuter, and then adopt them into an approved home. We are very fortunate to have these

organizations available to us, as our facility is not equipped for adoptions.



In 2015, PUPS took in a total of 914 animals. Of those, 838 were alive and 76 deceased. No healthy, adoptable pets were euthanized, which kept the euthanasia rate extremely low at only 1.1%.

PUPS overall claim rate for 2015 was 53.5%, up from 42.8% in 2014 and 44.7% of animals were sent to rescues. Unfortunately, cats still have a very low claim rate of only 15%, while dogs boast a 75% claim rate.

## GUN PERMITS

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A City of Maple Grove resident (18 years of age or older) wanting to purchase a hand gun or other regulated firearms, must complete a permit-to-purchase application. All completed applications are submitted to the Maple Grove Police Department.

A Records Management Technician ensures all required data has been provided by the applicant for processing the required background checks. A background check includes a thorough search of an applicant's criminal history, Human Services contacts, court records, driver's license status, local police records, wanted files, and if applicable, other law enforcement agency databases.

The application for the permit-to-purchase, along with the supporting documentation of conducted background checks, is forwarded to the Captain of the Professional Standards Division for approval or denial.



## NORTH METRO RANGE / MAPLE GROVE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING FACILITY

The North Metro Range (NMR) is a state-of-the-art training facility for firearms instruction. NMR has 12 indoor, 40-yard, climate controlled lanes equipped with touch screen technology and a no-haze, 100% outside air exchange system. NMR offers a lateral-running target for engaging a moving target, testing an officer's reaction time, and tactical movement skills. The targets can be rotated 180 degrees for timed drills and shoot/don't shoot scenarios. NMR is also equipped with emergency lights and siren to provide officers with a realistic shooting scenario.

Through a joint powers agreement, The City of Maple Grove Police Department and The City of Plymouth Police Department conduct firearms and use-of-force training for their police officers. The classrooms, shooting simulator, and indoor firing range are made available to other law enforcement agencies and other entities to rent.

## LEXIPOL

2015 was a year of transition in updating our policy manual with the help of a California-based company, Lexipol. Lexipol is a provider of defensible policies and training for public safety organizations, delivering services through a unique, web-based development system. Lexipol offers state-specific policy manuals, regular policy updates and daily scenario-based training.

The Lexipol system helps public safety organizations reduce risk and stay ahead of litigation trends, while communicating clear and concise policy guidance to their personnel. Lexipol also offers this level of customization and value in managing, disseminating and tracking a public safety organization's policies and training.

Lexipol's Knowledge Management System is a web-based product that allows our agency to continually update and improve our policies based on the recommendation of their legal staff and current case law.

Source: [Lexipol.com](http://Lexipol.com)



## ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMPLIANCE CHECKS

In 2015, the City of Maple Grove had 66 vendors selling alcohol and 26 vendors selling tobacco products, for a total of 92 licenses with the City. All of the establishments that serve alcohol have to send *all of their employees* to alcohol compliance training, per city ordinance, that is administered by the City. This training is taught by a licensed police officer who has experience in alcohol compliance checks. In 2015, there were 12 alcohol compliance training classes offered during the year. There were a total of 1,081 servers and store clerks from the 66 businesses that attended the classes in 2015. Ultimately, our goal is to maximize compliance through education, understanding, and awareness.

Throughout the year, Maple Grove Police conducted state mandated alcohol compliance checks for businesses carrying both "on" and "off" sale liquor licenses and tobacco licenses. We conducted 130 alcohol compliance checks in 2015, broken down into three separate checks completed throughout the year, resulting in a 94% compliance rate. There were 51 tobacco compliance checks conducted in 2015, resulting in a 94% compliance rate as well. Compliance failures can result in criminal charges against the server/sales person and potential civil penalties for the business related to their license with the City.

We continue to work closely with Partnership for Change Coalition and the MN Department of Human Services, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division, not only for compliance issues but other alcohol and tobacco prevention matters as well.

## EMPLOYEE WELLNESS PROGRAM

The City of Maple Grove's Fit for Life wellness program is a comprehensive wellness program to improve the health and wellness of employees. Fit for Life offers many different activities throughout the year, including On-Site Health Screening, Health Fair, Health Seminars, Annual 5K Walk and Roll, and many challenges and programs focused on healthy eating, exercise, lifestyle changes, community volunteer projects, and other programs to benefit employees. Programs are varied and have been adapted to accommodate many different work shifts and locations for the employees. This year-long program has a

different theme each year to focus on each employee's individual health goals.

In 2015, *Records Management Technician Karie Weldon* served as the police department's representative to Wellness committee.

## PARTNERSHIP FOR CHANGE —



*Students and Maple Grove Detective Jon Proulx were hard at work reminding adults to keep alcohol out of the hands of youth. They attached prevention messages to products in Maple Grove & Osseo liquor stores. The tags reminded those over 21 that it's illegal to provide alcohol to minors and thanked them for keeping our youth alcohol-free.*

*Courtesy of: Partnership for Change.*

## BEYOND THE YELLOW RIBBON —



The Maple Grove Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Committee has completed the required action plan in order to become a Beyond the Yellow Ribbon city. On July 10, 2013, the City of Maple Grove was officially proclaimed a Beyond the Yellow Ribbon City during a celebration ceremony at the Maple Grove Town Green. Ever since being proclaimed a Beyond the Yellow Ribbon City, the Maple Grove Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Steering Committee has worked to update the action plan that outlines how the Maple Grove community will better support its military families. Maple Grove Beyond the Yellow Ribbon is continuing to develop

community partnerships to help our active-duty members and veterans. The Maple Grove Police Department continues to support the efforts of Beyond the Yellow Ribbon and service members and their families through awareness training for police officers and other city employees and creating a resource list of community support efforts.



***Operation Finally Home:** Operation Finally Home is a nonpartisan/nonprofit organization that, since 2005, has been working with wounded warriors across the country who are in need of a new home.*

*Staff Sgt. Walker, his wife and other officials from the city of Maple Grove, PulteGroup, Operation Finally Home and Sen. Limmer officially broke ground at the site of the Walker's future home.*

## MGPD TOURS —

We are always excited to have visitors here at the Maple Grove Police Department. It is important for us to know that we are connecting with our community, especially our youth. Tours of the Maple Grove Police Department are offered to residents and organizations within the community. Community Service Officers provide an in-depth and age-appropriate discussion about the different aspects of the police department. Groups that frequently participate in tours of the department include:

- Preschools
- Daycares
- Boy Scouts
- Cub Scouts
- Girl Scouts

Children who participate in a tour also receive a certificate and a sticker before they leave.



## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Each year, the Maple Grove Police Department participates in a number of community events, but in 2015 we conducted three very important programs during the holiday season that helped members of our community. These programs are Toys for Tots, Coats for Kids, and Shop with a Cop.

### TOYS FOR TOTS



Toys for Tots is a mission of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves to collect new, unwrapped toys that are then distributed to less fortunate children throughout the United States. Each year, the City of Maple Grove participates in the Toys for Tots program by collecting toys at the Community Center, Government Center, Police

Department, and Public Works Facility. This year we were successful in collecting hundreds of toys that filled several squad cars. These toys helped many families in need throughout Minnesota during the holiday season and the Maple Grove Police Department is proud to participate in this event every year.

### COATS FOR KIDS



The Maple Grove Police Department participated in the Coats for Kids program for the first time in 2015. Due to a very generous donation from the Knights of Columbus, the Maple Grove Police received a couple dozen coats for children. Through our partnership with our local elementary schools we worked directly with area school counselors to ensure that these coats were given to children in need within our own community. The Knights of Columbus made similar donations to the Osseo, Brooklyn Park, and Brooklyn Center police departments and since 2009 the Knights have donated over 200,000 new winter coats to kids across the U.S. and Canada.

### SHOP-WITH-A-COP

The Maple Grove Police Department revitalized its Shop - with-a-Cop program this year. In conjunction with Wal-Mart we were able to take 21 children shopping from Basswood, Elm Creek, Fernbrook and Rice Lake Elementary schools, and Osseo Middle School. Each child got their own officer to chaperon them and was given a \$100 limit thanks to a grant that was made possible by our local Maple Grove Wal-Mart. Each child was able to do some holiday shopping with the assistance of our officers and purchase gifts for their families.



After the shopping was concluded we were able to take the children and their guardians to Angeno's Pizza in Maple Grove for a pizza party. During the pizza party the children, their families and our officers all got to know each other better while they ate dinner and wrapped presents. This program allows children to bring home presents for their families during the holiday season, but also allows them to interact and build positive relationships with officers from their own community. We plan to make this event an annual occurrence and hope to expand it in order to help those in need of it within our own

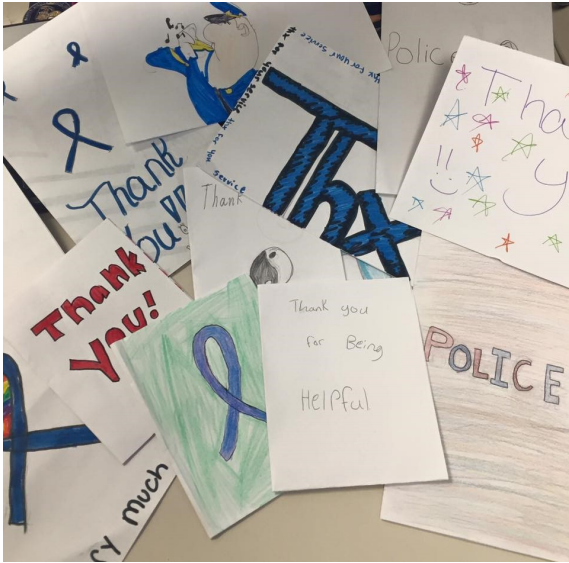


community. This event was made possible thanks to Wal-Mart, Angeno's Pizza, our local schools, and the Maple Grove Police Association.

Thank you *Maple Grove Walmart* and *Angeno's Pizza* for your support and generous donations to Shop-with-a-Cop!







Thank you cards from our local ISD 279 - Osseo Area Schools! Our officers love to read these!



What a wonderful surprise! Maple Grove Police Officers received thank you letters from children across Minnesota through Operation Thank an Officer and Beacon Academy students in Maple Grove! The sincerity of their words is awesome!

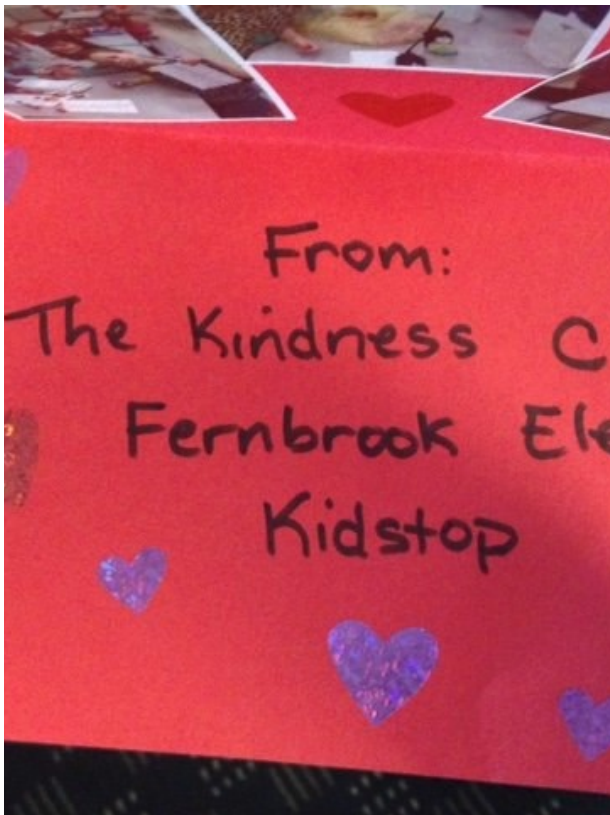


Markus sent MGPD beautiful handmade ornaments! They look great on our tree!



PreK visitors!





Sending a HUGE thank you to the Fernbrook Elementary KidStop Kindness Club for the awesome Valentine bags they sent to our officers!



On May 18, 2015, DARE students enjoyed celebrating their grand prize win -- lunch with Chief Werner and DARE Officers Carroll and Modeen



# **APPENDIX**

## **STATISTICAL DATA**

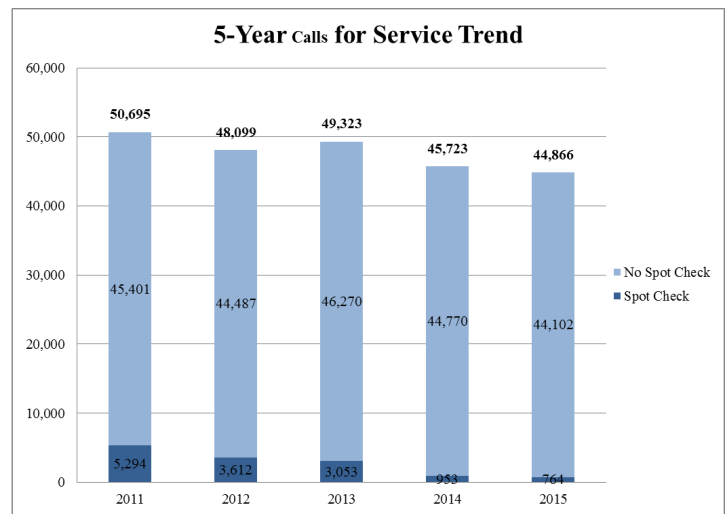
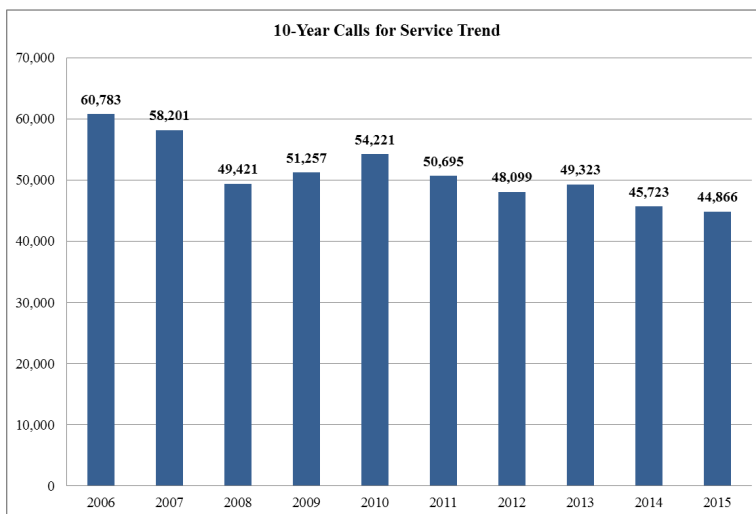
# CALLS FOR SERVICE

## 5-YEAR CALLS-FOR-SERVICE TREND

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Calls for Service (Excludes Spot Check)</b>	45,401	44,487	46,270	44,770	44,102
<b>Calls for Service (Includes Spot Check)</b>	50,695	48,099	49,323	45,723	44,866
<b>Difference</b>	5,294	3,612	3,053	953	764

## 2015 MONTH-BY-MONTH CALLS-FOR-SERVICE TREND

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
<b>Excludes Spot Checks</b>	3,374	3,039	3,660	3,881	4,214	4,045	4,117	3,946	3,512	3,406	3,385	3,523	<b>44,102</b>
<b>Includes Spot Checks</b>	3,421	3,082	3,726	3,916	4,300	4,121	4,216	4,010	3,614	3,456	3,436	3,568	<b>44,866</b>



Note: A thorough five-year review of statistical data was completed for this report. Some small variations of previously reported data may be observed.

# **TOP 10** **CALLS-FOR-SERVICE** **5-YEAR TREND**

Call Type	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Traffic Stop*	15,079	13,699	16,771	13,658	14,058
Alarm/Police	1,965	1,807	1,965	2,032	1,896
Suspicious Act	1,338	1,418	1,480	1,558	1,784
Phone Call	1,627	1,610	1,327	1,494	1,439
Accident/Property Damage	1,103	1,337	1,533	1,711	1,336
Animal Complaint	1,560	1,362	1,252	1,345	1,333
Parking Complaint	2,057	3,076	2,091	2,200	1,297
Locked Out/In	1,481	1,349	1,396	1,392	1,263
Traffic/Complaint	1,090	1,071	1,004	1,099	1,206
Hang-up 911	1,452	1,106	1,044	1,175	1,060

\*Includes: License - Cancel/Revoke/Suspend

# **MENTAL-HEALTH-RELATED\*** **CALLS-FOR-SERVICE** **5 -YEAR TREND**

2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
593	684	765	785	861

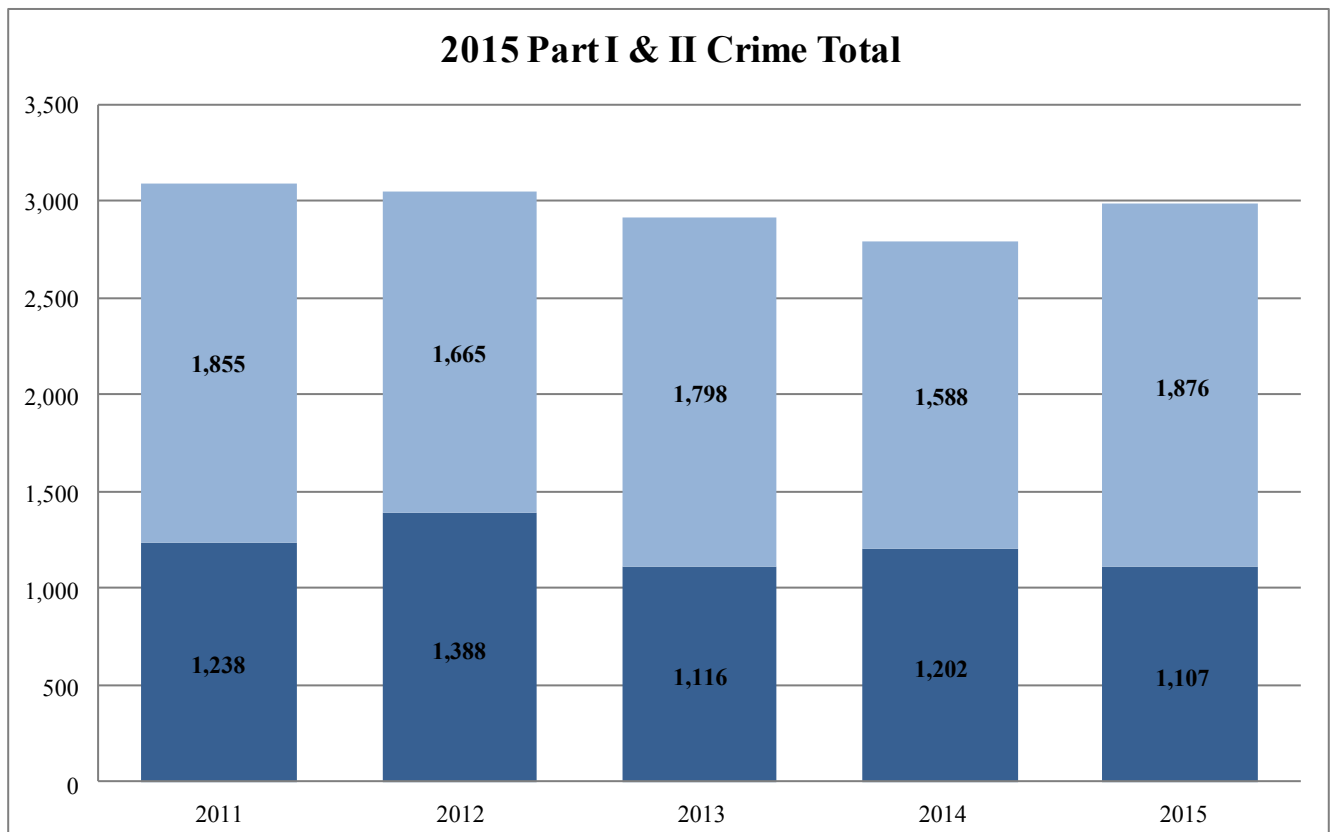
\*Includes "Mental Problem", "Suicide", and "Welfare Check"



## 2015 PART I & PART II CRIMES

The FBI compiles crime statistics from Uniform Crime Report (UCR) data and publishes an annual report. Law enforcement agencies across the United States provide the data to the FBI. For reporting purposes, criminal offenses are divided into two groups: Part I offenses and Part II offenses. Part I crimes are categorized as violent or property crimes. Part I violent crimes are homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Part I property crimes are burglary, larceny/theft, auto theft, and arson. All other offenses are identified as Part II crimes. Examples of Part II crimes are simple assault, drug offenses, driving under the influence, fraud, disorderly conduct, vandalism, and weapons offenses.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Part I</b>	1,238	1,388	1,116	1,202	1,107
<b>Part II</b>	1,855	1,665	1,798	1,588	1,876
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,093</b>	<b>3,053</b>	<b>2,914</b>	<b>2,790</b>	<b>2,983</b>



<b>Part I Crimes</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Chg</b>
Homicide	3	0	-300%
Rape	3	12	300%
Robbery	9	8	-11%
Aggravated Assault	9	19	111%
<b>Total Violent Crime</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>63%</b>
Burglary - Residential	86	66	-23%
Burglary - Commercial	34	9	-74%
Larceny/Theft	1,032	967	-6%
Auto Theft	25	20	-20%
Arson	1	6	500%
<b>Total Property Crime</b>	<b>1,178</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>-9%</b>
<b>Total Part I Crimes</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>1,107</b>	<b>-8%</b>
<b>Part II Crimes</b>			
Other Assault	213	229	8%
Forgery & Counterfeiting	63	43	-32%
Fraud	208	339	63%
Embezzlement	17	22	29%
Stolen Property	10	7	-30%
Vandalism	193	282	46%
Weapons	27	43	59%
Prostitution	15	17	13%
Sex Offenses	38	29	-24%
Drug Abuse Violations	198	195	-2%
Gambling	0	0	0%
Offenses Against Family/Children	5	8	60%
D.U.I.	220	215	-2%
Liquor Laws	40	45	13%
Disorderly Conduct	146	210	44%
Vagrancy	0	0	0%
All Other Offenses	195	192	-2%
<b>Total Part II Crimes</b>	<b>1,588</b>	<b>1,876</b>	<b>18%</b>
<b>Total Adult Arrests</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>1,017</b>	<b>-5%</b>
<b>Total Juvenile Arrests</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>-7%</b>
Total Traffic Stops	13,658	14,058	3%
<b>TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>	<b>44,770</b>	<b>44,102</b>	<b>-2%</b>

# PERSON/PROPERTY CRIMES

Person Crime	2012	2013	2014	2015
Homicide	0	1	3	0
Rape	6	6	3	12
Robbery	11	10	9	8
Felony Assault	12	12	9	19
Non-Felony Assault (No Domestic)	118	115	95	108
Domestic Assault	124	105	118	118
Disorderly Conduct / Disturbance	198	199	146	204

Property Crime	2012	2013	2014	2015
Burglaries	167	113	120	75
Residential Burglaries	147	87	86	66
Non-Residential Burglaries	20	26	34	9
Theft from Vehicle / Motor Vehicle Tampering	349	202	164	173
Auto Theft	25	26	25	20
Arson	3	4	1	6
Shoplifting	308	338	452	399
Property Damage / Vandalism	333	264	193	282

Financial Theft	2012	2013	2014	2015
Credit Card Fraud	87	67	84	131
Forgery / Counterfeiting	49	62	63	43
Identity Theft	41	33	52	77

Other Crime	2012	2013	2014	2015
Narcotics	143	170	198	195
Underage Drinking Age 18-21	29	22	22	20
Underage Drinking & Driving	10	5	4	6
Weapons	17	19	27	43



## 5 - YEAR TRAFFIC TREND

Traffic Accident & DUI Arrests	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Fatal Vehicle	2	2	0	1	0
Personal Injury Accident*	132	156	164	137	136
Property Damage Accident**	924	946	1,030	1,204	1,129
Hit and Run***	197	164	190	182	186
Driving While Impaired Arrests	252	247	374	241	230

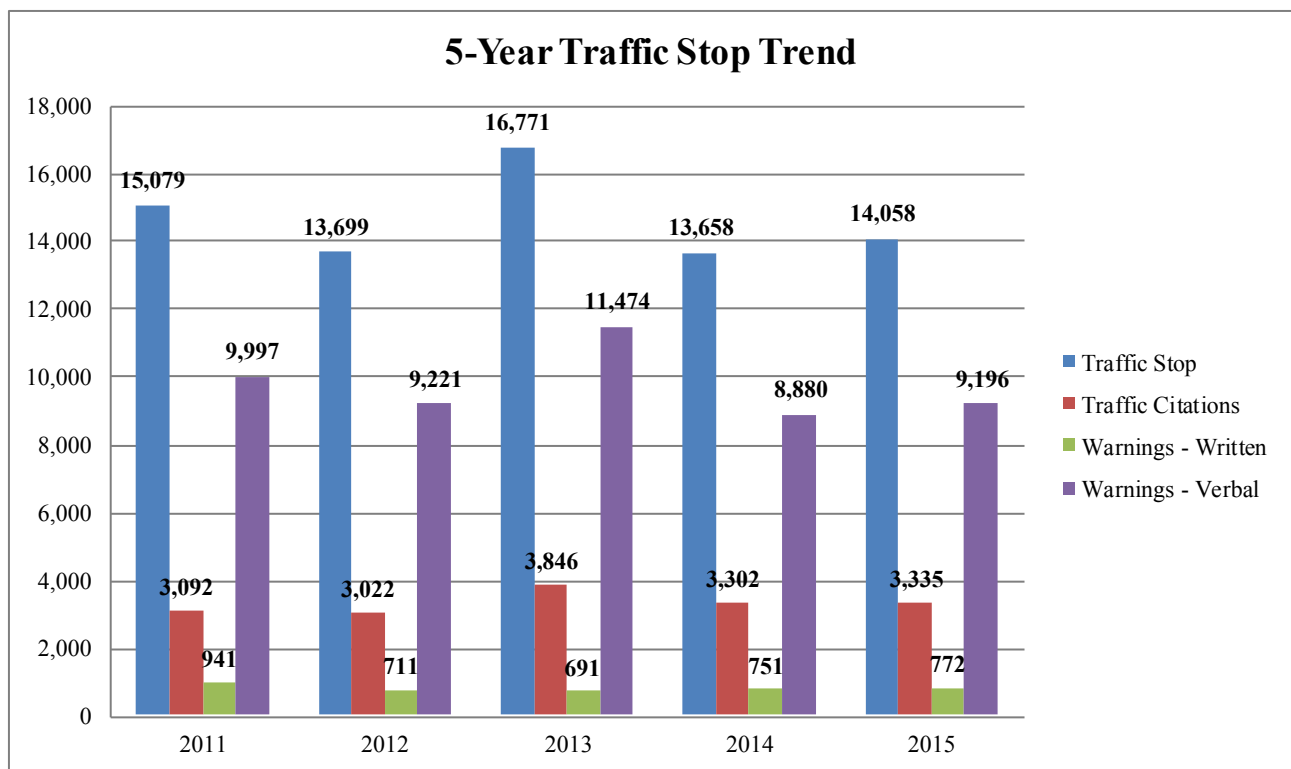
\*Includes Bicycle, Pedestrian, Deer, Motorcycle

\*\*Includes Animal, Bike, Deer, Off Road

\*\*\*Includes Hit & Run, Fail to Stop - Injury and No Injury, Fail to Notify Owner of Property Damage, Accident/Collision with Unattended Vehicle

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Traffic Stop*</b>	<b>15,079</b>	<b>13,699</b>	<b>16,771</b>	<b>13,658</b>	<b>14,058</b>
Traffic Citations	3,092	3,022	3,846	3,302	3,335
Warnings - Written	941	711	691	751	772
Warnings - Verbal	9,997	9,221	11,474	8,880	9,196

\*Includes: License - Cancel/Revoke/Suspend



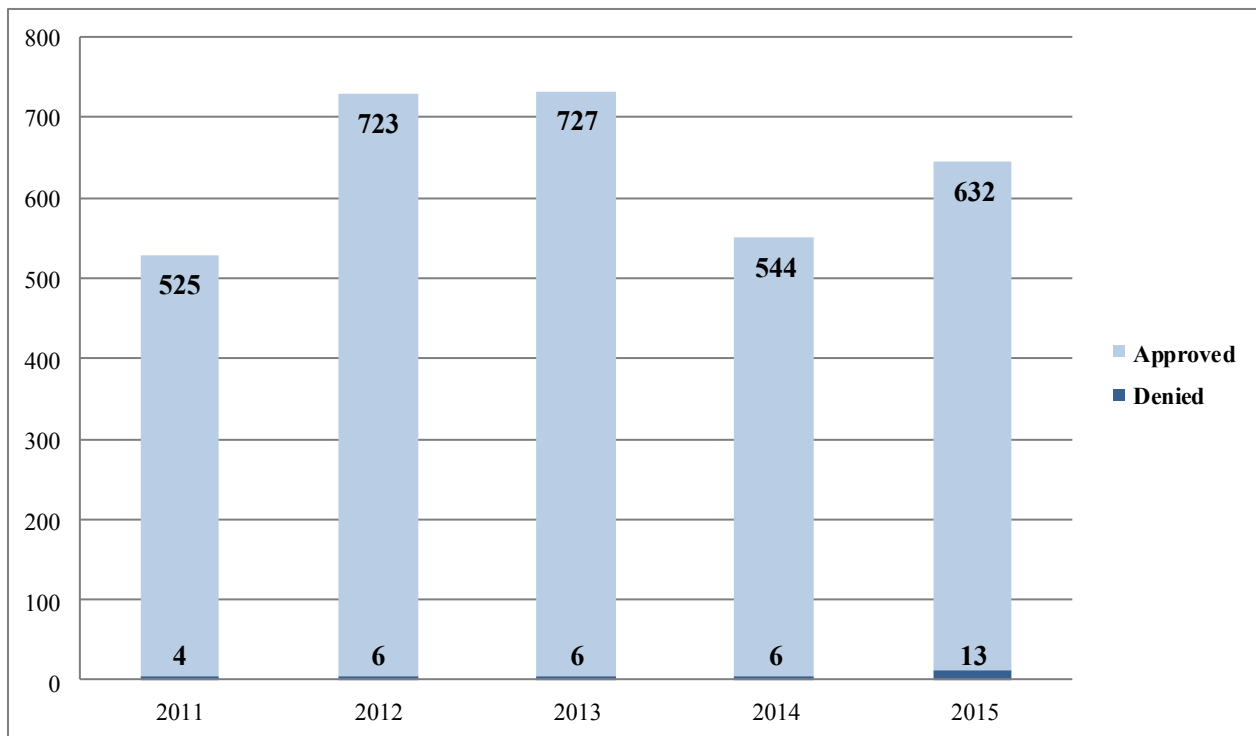
# TOP 10

## 2015 TRAFFIC ACCIDENT LOCATIONS

Accident Location	2015
I-94 & Weaver Lake Rd N	36
Elm Creek Blvd N & Hemlock Ln N	25
Hemlock Ln N & I-694	20
9800 Fernbrook Ln N	19
Elm Creek Blvd & Main St N	18
Hemlock Ln N & Main St N	18
I-94 & Maple Grove Pkwy	18
Elm Creek Blvd & Grove Dr N	16
73 Av N & Hemlock Ln N	15
Elm Creek Blvd & Weaver Lake Rd N	13

## GUN PERMIT TO PURCHASE APPLICATIONS

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Approved</b>	525	723	727	544	632
<b>Denied</b>	4	6	6	6	13





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